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In Re Application of:	William Kopaciewicz, Donald G. Sheer, Todd E. Arnold and Vinay Goel
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For: CA	AST MEMBRANE STRUCTURES FOR SAMPLE PREPARATION
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The above-identified applicant enclose for filing a Continuation patent application entitled "CAST MEMBRANE STRUCTURES FOR SAMPLE PREPARATION". Said attached Continuation patent application includes (1) A Patent Application Transmittal Letter (5-Pages)(in duplicate); (2) A copy of prior application serial number 09/366,134: 34-page Specification (including 2-Pages of Claims (16), 1-Page Abstract) and 18-sheets of A4 size drawings and a copy of the executed combined Declaration and Power of Attorney (2-Pages); (3) Check in the amount of \$710.00 in payment of the Filing Fee.

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